SUBJECT No. 256.

Conversion of Harihar sub-taluk into a taluk.

Messrs. Lingappa, Harihar sub-taluk, and G. Gurusiddappa, Harihar municipality.

Summary of discussion.—Harihar is growing in importance in point of revenue, trade and industries. It is necessary to have a Government treasury at Harihar for the benefit of the merchants. It is prayed that the sub-taluk be converted into a taluk.

Reply of Government.—Not necessary, as Harihar is about eight miles from Davangere.

SUBJECT No. 257.

An agricultural farm in the Hiriyur taluk and the location of motor plough thereat.

Mr. B. Veeraiya, Hiriyur taluk.

Summary of discussion.—On account of the absolute relinquishment of lands under the Marikanave channels, by the South India Industrials, a large area is available for cultivation. It is prayed that an agricultural farm may be opened in the above lands and improved methods of agriculture demonstrated to the ryots. A motor plough may also be located there and rented to the raiyats to plough their black cotton soil at a cheap rate.

Ordinary English ploughs are not effective to root out *garike*. Owing to paucity of people taking to agriculture, indigenous methods of ploughing have become costly. It will be profitable and conducive to a larger amount of work being done, if steam ploughs are introduced. Besides, steam ploughing is calculated to effectively remove the large growth of weeds, etc.

Reply of Government.—If co-operative societies take up the question, Government will be prepared to bear half the cost of introducing steam ploughs, which are estimated to cost Rs. 40,000 for each plant. Dr. Coleman will investigate the matter next year and render necessary help to those who apply for it.

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SUBJECT No. 258.

Cauvery Power Reservoir.

Mr. C. H. Richards, Kolar Gold Field Mining Board.

Summary of discussion.—Attention is invited to the shortage of electrical power from March to June of this year and to the urgency for early completion of this reservoir.

Reply of Government.—*Vide* Dewan's reply to the Address of the K. G. F. Mining Board.

SUBJECT No. 259.

Augmentation of Police force.

Mr. C. H. Richards, Kolar Gold Field Mining Board.

Summary of discussion.—Government may be pleased to consider the need for strengthening the Police force for patrolling the residential portions of the Field.

Reply of Government.—*Vide* Dewan's reply to the Address of the K. G. F. Mining Board.

SUBJECT No. 260.

Repairs to roads.

Mr. C. H. Richards, Kolar Gold Field Mining Board.

Summary of discussion.—The roads both on the Field and in the vicinity need repairs.

Reply of Government.—*Vide* Dewan's reply to the Address of the Kolar Gold Field Mining Board.